

## YOUTHFUL PATRIOT TELLS OF HIS WORK

Edmund M. Sullivan, 16-Year-Old Georgetown Boy, Writes Story of Loyalty Pledges.

This is a story about the unselfish patriotism of a sixteen-year-old school boy who aroused Georgetown to the highest pitch of enthusiasm it has known since war with Germany seemed imminent.

With a total of sixteen hundred signatures to The Times' loyalty pledges to his credit, Edmund M. Sullivan, of the Hyde School, not only excels all rivals in individual effort in this direction but he has organized a company of pupils who drill and march daily.

Here is Sullivan's story of patriotic activity:

"Born in this city sixteen years ago, 1901—of staunch American parents, and attending the public schools since I attained school age, naturally my love for the Star-Spangled Banner was an inheritance to me, and, like other boys of our school, our attention has been more or less centered in the stirring current events of the times. In fact, it has been part of our studies in our classrooms. One day I bought an Evening Times and I read the pledge of loyalty which occurred to me to interest my fellow schoolmates, boys and girls alike, so I set forth upon my own initiative to comply with the patriotic suggestion offered through The Times to obtain signatures to be presented to our Chief Magistrate.

**Active During Recess.**  
"I labored incessantly during the school recess hours and at other times, and as a result of my labors I got upward of 1,600 boys, girls, men, and women of various nationalities, all of whom signed the pledge most willingly.

"In going about obtaining these signatures the patriotism of our school was aroused to the extent that thereafter the boys and girls, true to the flag and country and in loyal support of our beloved President, we began to form in groups about the school buildings. Some had little flags, others had broom handles. Here we immediately organized an impromptu brigade and gave it the name Woodrow Wilson Loyalty Marching Club. The custodian of the Hyde School—my school—William A. Hickey, a veteran of the Cuban and Philippine campaigns, took much interest in us boys and girls. He assisted us in our military formation, marched with us around the streets. When we began our numbers were small, but shortly after we began to make a noise other boys and girls joined, some with drums, some with bugles, and others with fifes, till soon we had the vicinity around our schools all aglow with patriotic noises.

"I must not forget to say that the girls were just as eager to march as the boys—in fact, more so. Some had Red Cross flags made at home and carried them in our line.

"Mr. Hickey loaned us two large American flags.

"One of these flags is carried spread out with eight boys on either side, and the other is carried by the girls in the same manner.

**Encouraged By Neighbors.**  
"We march daily around the streets about our schools and have received much encouragement from the neighbors.

"Last Monday, just as Congress was assembling, as school let out for the noon recess, all of the boys and girls of Hyde, Curtis, and Addison Schools assembled in the main playground between Hyde and Curtis Schools, surrounded by our teachers with twenty-four beautiful silk classroom American flags, and to the strains of a song set played by Russell Hardy, we all joined in singing patriotic hymns, and we recited the pledge of loyalty.

"Miss E. M. Chase, the principal of Curtis School, standing in the center of a group of some several hundred children, the little kindergarten tots being held up in arms by some of the larger boys and girls and by Miss Moote and Miss Quinter, their teachers.

"It was a beautiful sight, one long to be remembered, and the solemnity of the occasion caused many passers by to stop, remove their hats, and stand at attention. Among them was an Episcopal clergyman. I do not know his name, but he officiates at St. John's Church, just near our schools. He was very profuse in his commendation of the scene, and remarked: 'It is a most inspiring scene, the most beautiful I ever saw in all my life, and in all my travels. I must admit I never saw its equal. Schools all over the land should do the same as you patriotic people here are doing, and I must say much credit should be given to the teachers of these schools for such a beautiful lesson of patriotism.'

**Officers of Marchers.**

"Our little band of marchers is daily led by Charles Wise, John Hardy, Francis Garrett, Thomas Bowers, Edward Follin, William Reid, James Rickerts, and John Wise. These boys constitute the officers of the marchers. Miss H. C. Lasier, principal of Hyde School, Miss E. M. Chase, principal of Curtis School, and Miss E. E. Darnielle, principal of Addison School, have given us every encouragement in our efforts to show our patriotism in these days when every boy, girl, man and woman in our loved land should bow in respectful submission to the mandate of our Government through our Congress and President in whatever they deem best in asserting the time-honored American principles of liberty, justice and freedom, and in upholding the dignity of our nation's emblem, 'Old Glory.'

Respectfully,  
EDMUND M. SULLIVAN,  
Hyde School, 3288 N. Street N. W.

## SUES WOMAN FOR ATTACK

Man of German Descent Asks \$3,000 for Spy Story.

RIVERHEAD, April 6.—Otto Schaffer, a young man of German descent, living at Southold, has sued Mrs. J. Ernest Howell, a well-known seafaring and church worker, for \$3,000 for personal injuries. Schaffer alleges that Mrs. Howell wrongfully accused him of pulling down an American flag and with being a German spy, and that she struck him in the face, breaking his glasses and severely cutting his face.

Subsequently Mrs. Howell apologized, finding that she was wrong. Schaffer is a veteran of the Connecticut national guard and on its reserve list, and declares he is a loyal American citizen.

## PLEDGES MUST BE IN BY TOMORROW

All those circulating Times loyalty pledges should deliver them at The Times office not later than noon tomorrow, as the final transmission to the President will be made tomorrow afternoon.

## CADETS WILL HAVE TRAINING IN CAMP

Members of High School Corps to Go to Winthrop April 9 to April 14.

To provide actual camp training for members of the Washington High School Cadet Corps, Assistant Superintendent of Schools Kramer, in charge of military instruction in the schools, today announced that all experienced members of the cadet organization who desired could go into camp at Winthrop from April 9 to April 14.

Only those cadets who enlisted prior to February 1 last, who have their parents' consent, are eligible. It is expected that about 150 boys will attend the camp.

Strict military discipline will be maintained at all times. The camp will involve much physical labor, it is said, and the entire time will be taken up by some kind of work. Should inclement weather prevail, the boys will be housed in the barracks, otherwise they will live in tents for the entire period.

The party will leave the navy yard dock Monday, cadets reporting at 9 o'clock. Each cadet will be charged 50 cents for each day at camp.

Lieut. Norman B. Briscoe, U. S. A., detailed by the War Department as cadet instructor, will go with the boys and be in entire command.

## BIG BUILDING RENTS FOR \$1

War Department Takes Old Simpson-Crawford Store.

NEW YORK, April 6.—A record for low rental values in lower Sixth avenue was set when it was announced yesterday that the ground floor of the old Simpson-Crawford building, between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets, had been leased for \$1 a month.

But it was for patriotic purposes that the nominal leasing fee was set. The building has been taken over by the War Department for the reception of army rations following the mobilization call. The lease was arranged by J. Clifford Woodhull for the New York Advisory Committee of Business Men. The owners are the William Waldorf Astor and Chisholm estates.

Edward D. Page, chairman of the committee, returned yesterday from Washington, where he has been attending a conference of numerous business organizations from which committees have been appointed to co-operate with the Government in the purchase of supplies for the army.

## TO AID HARVARD SOLDIERS

Invalidated French Officers to Teach Students Modern Warfare.

PARIS, April 6.—Five French army officers, all freed from further active service through wounds, and all decorated for valor, are sailing for New York aboard the next steamer to instruct Harvard students in modern warfare.

The Paris Harvard Club gave them a dinner, and the American Luncheon Club made them its guests of honor, the news of the Senate's vote on the war resolution arriving as the company sat down, rousing great enthusiasm. Major Paul Azan, in charge of the officers, said:

"We anticipate pleasure in training the young Americans, and hope soon to see the Stars and Stripes floating over an American expeditionary force on the western front."

The others are Major Drevier de Mouy, Captain Dupont, Lieut. Andre Morise and Jean Girardoux.

## REPAY OLD KINDNESS

Man From California Gives Laborer a Check for \$5,000.

MCKINNEY, Tex., April 6.—A number of years ago a young man named King accepted the hospitality of the home of Thomas Shewmake, a workman of modest means, and lived with him for several years.

King left the Shewmake home about seventeen years ago, going to California. He returned to McKinney the other day and visited his old friend, Shewmake, whom he found to be a man of small means and working hard every day.

King spent the night with him and while downtown together the next day presented Shewmake with a check for \$5,000 as a mark of appreciation for the kindness shown in their younger days. King has mining interests in California and is reputed to be a millionaire.

## NEEDS COAST ARTILLERY MEN.

The George Washington University, Coast Artillery Company, a unit of the District National Guard, is seeking thirty recruits.

Officers of the company are expecting to be called out at any time for active service. The company probably will be stationed at Fort Washington, on the Potomac, where a battery has been assigned it.

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This Millinery Department adjoins the Boys' Section and should have a few minutes of your time. Lady Duff Gordon Sailors, \$3.50.

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